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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S TRAVEL, PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

1. REMARKS OF PRESIDENT FORD ON SECRETARY'S DEPARTURE
FROM ANDREWS AFB OCT 9 FOLLOW:

QUOTE. IT IS NICE TO SEE YOU ALL. I JUST CAME OUT WITH
ALL THE CABINET MEMBERS AND OTHERS IN THE ADMINISTRATION TO
EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR GO-
ING ON THIS VITALLY IMPORTANT MISSION. HE HAS MY FULL
SUPPORT AND THE SUPPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE TRE-
MENDOUS EFFORTS TO BRING PEACE IN AN AREA OF THE WORLD--
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AN AREA THAT HAS BEEN SO VOLATILE AND CONTROVERSIAL THAT

IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE WORLD, AS WELL AS THE COUNTRIES INVOLVED, THAT THE MAXIMUM EFFORTS FOR PEACE BE MADE.

QUOTE. THIS COUNTRY AND THIS ADMINISTRATION ARE GOING TO WORK WITH THE SKILL AND IMAGINATION OF DR. KISSINGER IN SEEKING THAT RESULT.

QUOTE. WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST. END QUOTE

2. YOU SHOULD BRING PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT TO ATTENTION OF HOST GOVERNMENT POINTING OUT THAT PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF CABINET PERSONALLY SAW SECRETARY OFF AT PAST MIDNIGHT DEPARTURE.

3. FYI: SECRETARY'S RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT'S REMARKS FOLLOW:

QUOTE. I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH MR. PRESIDENT, YOUR COMING OUT TO SEE ME OFF. THE PROBLEM OF CONTRIBUTING TO PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS A VERY COMPLICATED ONE BUT AS I HAVE HAD OCCASION TO SAY BEFORE IT IS A SOURCE OF PRIDE TO ALL AMERICANS THAT IT IS THE UNITED STATES THAT ALL PARTIES TRUST AND WE WILL ATTEMPT TO MAKE SOME PROGRESS. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY TO THE PRESIDENT THAT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN A LONG TIME THAT ONE CAN GO ON THESE MISSIONS WITH AN AMERICA THAT IS AT PEACE WITH ITSELF. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. END QUOTE. INGERSOLL

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